



A 16Th Century Map Of Southern Africa

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Additional Information

Dimensions	260 × 190 mm
Cartographer	RUSCELLI, Girolamo.
Date	1561
Extra Info	Africa Nuova Tavola.
Publication	Venice: Vincenzo Valgrisi, c.1561, First State. 190 x 260mm.
Condition	A good example.
References	NORWICH: 151.

Product Description

A 'modern' map of southern Africa, showing the Gulf of Guinea, the Gulf of Aden, Magagascar, the Equator and Tropic of Capricorn. Interestingly, the Horn of Africa is misnamed Melinde.

This map was published in Ruscelli's 'La Geographi di Claudio Tolomeo'. A feature of this First State is that there is no platemark at the top: two maps were engraved on the same plate and the resulting sheet halved. Later the plate was cut in two.